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ECOANALYSTS, INC. HIRES IONEL CIUGULEA AS NEW ALGAE TAXONOMIST

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MOSCOW, ID -- EcoAnalysts, Inc. is proud to welcome Ionel Ciugulea as its new algae taxonomist.

Originally from Romania, Ciugulea spent the last four years working in the Zoology department at Michigan State University under Dr. Jan Stevenson.

Ciugulea's recent work includes providing taxonomic expertise for the Environmental Protection Agency's Region 4 Periphyton Sample Assays, as well as for EPA's latest National Rivers and Streams and National Lakes Assessments, two nationwide studies designed to support the improvement of water quality throughout the United States.

He holds a PhD in Biology from Ovidius University of Constanta, Romania and a Masters of Science in Biology from the University of Bucharest.

Ciugulea will be working with EcoAnalysts' team of aquatic scientists to provide accurate and timely identification of algae.

For questions or inquiries, please contact Candace Lowe, EcoAnalysts, Inc. at (208) 882-2588 or clowe@ecoanalysts.com.

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About EcoAnalysts, Inc.

Founded in 1992 in Moscow, Idaho, EcoAnalysts is the nation's recognized leader in the field of aquatic monitoring and ecological consulting services. EcoAnalysts is committed to helping our clients make highly informed decisions regarding the condition and stewardship of natural resources. With its experienced field technicians, taxonomists, and senior consulting scientists, the company is able to provide clients with superior biological monitoring services at reasonable costs. EcoAnalysts has offices in Idaho, Missouri, Washington, Florida, Pennsylvania and Vancouver B.C. EcoAnalysts operates the largest bioassessment laboratory in North America, processing more than 7,000 samples annually, and has completed projects throughout North America, as well as in Suriname, Peru, Brazil, Mexico, Australia and India. EcoAnalysts serves a wide variety of clients, including tribes, watershed councils, universities, private corporations, and federal, state, and municipal government agencies. For more information, visit www.ecoanalysts.com.